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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Michel ARTHUR, et al.

: GROUP ART UNIT: 1652

SERIAL NO.: 09/357,375

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FILED: July 20, 1999

: EXAMINER: R. HUTSON

FOR: POLYPEPTIDES IMPLICATED IN THE EXPRESSION OF RESISTANCE TO GLYCOPEPTIDES, IN PARTICULAR IN GRAM-POSITIVE BACTERIA, NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE CODING FOR THESE POLYPEPTIDES AND USE FOR DIAGNOSIS

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated September 18, 2000, the period for response having been extended to January 18, 2001, by a Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, please reconsider the application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel Claims 29-35 without prejudice or disclaimer and add the following new claims:

--36. A composition comprising at least one isolated protein encoded by a sequence selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:2 (VanH), SEQ ID NO:6 (VanX), SEQ ID NO:8 (VanC), SEQ ID NO:12 (VanR), SEQ ID NO:14 (VanS), SEQ ID NO:19 (transposase), SEQ ID NO:21 (resolvase), SEQ ID NO:23 (VanY), SEQ ID NO:25 (VanC) and combinations thereof.

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